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SUBJECT: GATT TEXTILES SURVEILLANCE BODY (TSB)

TOKYO FOR ANTHONY JURICH

1. KOREAN EMB. FIRST SECRETARY HONG AND COMMERCIAL ATTACHE NOH CALLED ON PHELAN, EB/FTD MORNING FEB. 28 AND, UNDER INSTRUCTIONS, MADE FORMAL REQUEST USG SUPPORT ROK CANDIDACY FOR SEAT ON TSB. JUSTIFIED CLAIM FOR TSB SEAT ON GROUNDS THAT ROK WAS (A) AN EXPANDING MAJOR EXPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRY IN FAR EAST AND, (B) THAT JAPAN, WHICH HONG ASSUMED WOULD HAVE A SEAT, WAS RAPIDLY BECOMING IMPORTING COUNTRY AND CERTAINLY WAS NOT A DEVELOPING COUNTRY.

2. PHELAN TOLD HONG THAT USG AT THIS POINT, COULD ONLY
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"NOTE" ROK REQUEST. SAID USG INTERNAL VIEWS ON

ORGANIZATION AND MAKE-UP OF TSB HAD NOT YET COALESCED
AND THAT WHOLE QUESTION WAS STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION
WITHIN USG- PHELAN ASSURED HONG THAT USG HAD, THEREFORE,
MADE NO RPT NO COMMITMENTS VIS-A-VIS SUPPORT FOR ANY
COUNTRY FOR TSB SEAT.

3. HONG SAID THAT IT LIKELY THAT ROK AMBASSADOR WOULD
CALL ON DEPARTMENT AT POLITICAL LEVEL WITH SAME REQUEST
AND THAT ROK DEL TO MARCH 26 GENEVA MEETING WOULD UN-
DOUBTEDLY PURSUE MATTER WITH U.S. DEL THERE.

4. IN PASSING HONG MENTIONED HE BEING TRANSFERRED TO
SEOUL ON MARCH 20 AND, FURTHER, THAT PARK PIL SOO
LIKELY HEAD ROK DEL. TO GENEVA MARCH 26 MEETING. CASEY

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